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Date Mailed: 12/27/2001

NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 370 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$81.
 - \$81 for 9 total claims over 20.
- · The oath or declaration is missing. A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 516.

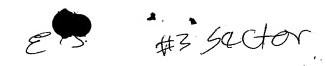
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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of

Michael P. Whitman

Application No.

10/010,955

Attorney Docket No.

3556-P02472US1

Filed:

November 13, 2001

For:

SURGICAL CLAMPING, CUTTING AND STAPLING

DEVICE

Examiner:

Not Yet Assigned

Group Art Unit:

Not Yet Assigned

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this Response and accompanying papers are being deposited on <u>February 28</u>, with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope properly addressed to ASST. COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, Attention: Initial Patent Examination Division, Washington, DC 20231

February 28, 2002
Date of Certificate

Donald R. Piper, Jr.

PTO Registration No. 29,337

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sirs:

RESUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS

A Response to Notice to File Missing Parts was due February 27, 2002, and was timely filed on February 27, 2002. It came to Applicant's attorney's attention that a typographical error was made in the serial number on the cover sheet used to file the missing parts, the Assignment Recordation sheet and the Fee Transmittal Sheet for this application. The Serial Number was inadvertently identified as 10/010,995, instead of 10/010,955.

By way of a telephone discussion today with a clerk at the Initial Patent Examination Division, our office was instructed to submit this letter of explanation, together with a duplicate copy of the missing parts paper filed on February 27, 2002.

Please correct serial number on those papers as <u>10/010,955</u>, not 10/010,9<u>9</u>5.

If an extension is needed for the submission, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension. If a fee is required, please charge any such fee to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 04-1406. A duplicate copy of this correspondence is enclosed to facilitate such charging.

Respectfully submitted,

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)		FEE CALCULATION (continued)	
		ADDITIONAL FEES	
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 [] Charge indicated fees [X] Charge additional fees [X] Credit overpayments to the account of DANN, DORFMAN, HERRELL & SKILLMAN 		Surcharge-late filing fee or oath	65
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FEE CALCULATION		Petition to revive unavoidably abandoned application	
1. FILING FEE	Fee	Petition to revive unintentionally abandoned application	
Fee Description		Issue fee	
Utility filing fee	370	Petitions to the Commissioner	
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Plant filing fee		Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt.	
Reissue filing fee		Recording each patent assignment per property	40
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	SUBTOTAL (1) \$370		
		OUDTOTAL (S)	\$405
		SUBTOTAL (3)	\$105
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2.			
	Paid Extr Fee		
Total Claims 29 -2	20 = 9 x 9 = \$81		
Independent Claims 3 -3	3 = 0 x 42 = 0		
Multiple Dependent			
(First presentation)			
	SUBTOTAL (2) \$81		

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